THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

EXPENDITURE INCURRED TO PROVIDE BASIC AMENITIES AT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS

3104. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL ALIAS MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what is the annual expenditure incurred by Government to provide basic amenities to the passengers and to those who come to see them off at the IGIA and at other international airports in the country during the period 1992-93 ;

(b) whether any assessment of the facilities provided there has been made to know that adequacy or otherwise of the amenities provided at the airports ; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to improve the amenities ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) Expenditure incurred during 1992-93 at IGI Airport on maintenance and upgradation of basic passenger amenities was about Rs. 161 lakhs; the expenditure at other international airports was about Rs. 391 lakhs.

(b) and (c) A passenger opinion survey was conducted by the International Airports Authority of India (IAAI) at five international airports in June-July 1993 to identify areas which require improvements in passenger amenities. Based on the survey, action has been intiated by IAAI to further improve passenger facilities at all the international airports.

COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE FOR RESORT DEVELOPMENT IN LAKSHADWEEP

3105. SHRI SURESH KALMADI :

SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is fact that Government have constituted a Committee to outline a plan for leasing out two uninhabited islands in Lakshadweep to resort developers ; and

(b) if so, what is the composition of the Committee and the terms of reference in respect thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) A committee has been set up to consider matters relating to development of beach/island resorts at Thinakkara and Cheriyam in Lakshadweep. Among other things the Committee will formulate terms and conditions, evaluate offers and make recommendations to the Government. The composition of the Committee is as follows :—

1. Administrator, Lakshadweep	Member
2. Addl. Secretary & F.A. (Department of Tourism)	Member
3. Advisor, Ministry of Environment & Forests	Member
4. Addl. Director General, Department of Tourism	Member
5. Deputy Director General (H&R) Department of Tourism	Convenor